

**Iowa Department of Natural Resources  
Environmental Protection Commission**

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**DECISION**

**TOPIC**

Regional Collection Center Establishment Grant – Contract Recommendation

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The Department received three (3) applications requesting \$342,500 in financial assistance through the Regional Collection Center Establishment Grant Program. After reviewing the applications and subsequent requested information, each applicant project is recommended for implementation in the total amount of \$317,500.

Four new counties will be added to the number of counties provided with on-going opportunities for proper hazardous materials disposal and hazardous materials education. The total number of counties offering hazardous materials education and disposal to households and conditionally exempt small quantity business generators through the regional collection center program will increase to ninety (90) statewide.

**BACKGROUND**

Regional Collection Centers are permanent facilities that provide hazardous waste management education and on-going access to proper disposal of hazardous materials generated by conditionally exempt small quantity generator (CESQG) businesses, urban and rural households, and farming operations. Household hazardous materials (HHMs) possess any or all of the following characteristics: toxic, corrosive, flammable or reactive. Funding for the Regional Collection Center program is provided through a portion of the solid waste tonnage fee.

A total of 2,957,014 pounds of waste was accepted, processed, recycled and disposed of through the RCC Program in 2007. These materials represent some of the most toxic materials in the solid waste stream and are being prevented from entering Iowa's landfills.

At this time, the Department is requesting Commission approval to enter into contracts with Fremont, Wapello/Davis, and Woodbury Counties, to expand the Regional Collection Center Programs in their respective service areas.

A description of each recommended project is attached.

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Attachment:

1. Proposal descriptions

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## REGIONAL COLLECTION CENTER ESTABLISHMENT PROGRAM

### Regional Collection Center Program: Review Team Recommendations

The following provides a brief description of the RCC establishment grant applications recommended for implementation.

**Applicant:** Fremont County Sanitary Landfill Commission  
2879 250<sup>th</sup> St.  
Sidney, Iowa 51652

**Award Amount:** \$100,000      **Contact:** Mike Fox (712) 374-3087

**Cost Share Amount:** \$95,500

**Description:** This application will establish a main regional collection center providing proper disposal opportunities and HHM education for Fremont County. The facility will serve approximately 3570 residents and approximately 100 conditionally exempt small quantity generator businesses. Funding is requested for facility construction and site prep, hazardous materials storage unit, equipment, supplies, and educational materials.

**Applicant:** Ottumwa Wapello County Solid Waste Commission  
105 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> St  
Ottumwa, Iowa 52501

**Award Amount:** \$117,500      **Contact:** Jody Gates (641) 683-0694

**Cost Share Amount:** \$93,400

**Description:** This application is to establish a main regional collection center providing proper disposal opportunities and HHM education for Wapello and Davis Counties. The facility will serve approximately 39,581 residents and 357 conditionally exempt small quantity generator businesses. In addition to on-going access to the main RCC in Ottumwa, at least two mobile collection events will be held in Davis County each year to facilitate convenience for Davis County residents. Funding is requested for facility construction and site prep, hazardous materials storage unit, equipment, supplies, mobile collection trailer, and educational materials.

**Applicant:** Woodbury County Solid Waste Agency  
2210 Ida Ave  
Merville, Iowa 51039

**Award Amount:** \$100,000      **Contact:** Nancy Countryman (712) 873-3637

**Cost Share Amount:** \$92,500

**Description:** This application is to establish a new regional collection center providing proper disposal opportunities and HHM education for Woodbury County. The facility will serve approximately 9880 residents and approximately 150 conditionally exempt small quantity generator businesses. Funding is requested for facility construction and site prep, hazardous materials storage unit, equipment, supplies, and educational materials.